

PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

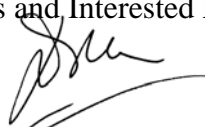
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 23, 2006
TO: Advisory Bodies and Interested Persons
FROM: Don McIsaac 
SUBJECT: March 2006 Council Meeting Invitation

You are cordially invited to attend the March 2006 Council meeting at the Seattle Marriott Sea-Tac Hotel in Seattle, Washington. For those listed below as travel order invitees, this represents your formal invitation and your effective travel order.

The Council meeting begins Sunday, March 5 with ancillary meetings; the Council session starts Monday, March 6 with a closed session at 1 p.m. and the general session at 2 p.m. Adjournment is scheduled for Friday, March 10. The draft proposed agenda is attached.

Presentations to the Council

If you are planning a presentation to the Council using overheads or computer projection; please give Sandra Krause advance notice at the Council office to coordinate equipment and setup requirements. She will also need a hard copy of your presentation for the administrative record.

Hotel Reservations

A block of rooms is being held through **February 20** at the rate of \$124 (government rate) for attendees of this meeting. You may make your room reservations by telephone at 206-241-2000 or 800-314-0925; identify yourself as a member of the Pacific Fishery Management Council group.

Parking

The hotel is giving our group discounted parking rates of \$8 per day for overnight guests and \$6 per day for daytime event parking. Be sure to tell the front desk if you will be parking at the hotel.

Tax Exempt Status

Please present the attached tax exempt form to the hotel at time of check in. Hotel procedures differ for awarding this status and at this hotel, for those of you that we normally pay your lodging expenses through a travel claim; we must charge your nightly room cost (\$124 per night) directly to our master account in order to have tax exempt status. This means you will be giving them your credit card for incidental charges only, such as phone calls, meals, etc. Let Carolyn Porter or Renee Dorval know if you have any questions about this or other hotel issues.

Airline Reservations

For authorized non-federal Council participants who will be flying **Alaska Airlines** to Seattle, we are offering an on-line method to make your flight reservations through the Council's EasyBiz account. This account saves the Council the travel agent fee and both you and the Council receive mileage plan credits. During the next two weeks, your name and contact information will be entered into our on-line account; you will then receive an automated email "invitation" from EasyBiz to use the system. When purchasing Council-authorized tickets through this account, you will have the option to charge to the Council credit card or to enter your own credit card information, whichever you prefer.

You may also continue to make your airline reservations through our account with American Express One at 800-958-8815 or you may purchase tickets yourself for reimbursement on your expense claim, if you are able to get a less expensive ticket price by this method.

Please call Carolyn Porter, 503-820-2411, if you have questions about any of the above information.

Shuttle Service

The Marriott Sea-Tac Hotel provides complimentary shuttle service from Sea-Tac Airport. The red and white hotel shuttle can be found on the third floor in the parking garage.

Per Diem Rates

For purposes of submitting Council expense claims for this meeting, the maximum daily amount allowed for lodging is \$124 and \$64 for meals and incidentals.

Agenda

Please review carefully the attached draft agenda.

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Enclosures: Draft Proposed March 2006 Council Meeting Agenda
Tax Exempt Form

Travel Order Invitees:

Enforcement Consultants
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel
Groundfish Management Team
Habitat Committee
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel
Highly Migratory Species Management Team
Salmon Advisory Subpanel
Salmon Technical Team
Scientific & Statistical Committee
Dr. Samuel Herrick, CPSMT
Mr. John Royal, CPSAS

Informational Distribution:

Jim Anderson, NWIFC
Elizabeth Clarke, NWFSC
Steve Copps, NWR
Paul Crone, SWFSC

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Ed Ebisui, WPFMC
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William Fox, SWFSC
Steve Freese, NWR
Sean Hastings, NOS
Craig Heberer, SWR
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Usha Varanasi, NWFSC
Anne Walton, NOS
Tonya Wick, SWR
Chris Wright, NWR

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MOTELS, AND SIMILAR ACCOMMODATIONS AS
EVIDENCE OF EXEMPT OCCUPANCY

EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE
TAX ON OCCUPANCY
OF HOTEL ROOMS

Imposed Pursuant to
Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law

Seattle Marriott Sea-Tac	March 5-10, 2006
NAME OF HOTEL, APARTMENT HOTEL, OR LODGING HOUSE	DATES
3201 South 176 th Street	
Seattle, Washington 98188	
ADDRESS	

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DATES OF
OCCUPANCY

Group Name: Pacific Fishery
Management Council
Dates: March 5-10, 2006

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Pacific Fishery Management Council

TITLE



The Pacific Fishery Management Council is a federal instrumentality operating under authority of the United States Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.



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PROPOSED AGENDA

Pacific Fishery Management Council

Seattle Marriott Hotel Sea-Tac
3201 South 176th Street
Seattle, Washington 98188
206-241-2000

March 5-10, 2006

MARCH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA SUMMARY					
Sunday, March 5	Monday, March 6	Tuesday, March 7	Wednesday, March 8	Thursday, March 9	Friday, March 10
Advisory Body Meetings (KFMC and Budget Committee (tentative only)--see last pages of Proposed Agenda)	Advisory Body Meetings—see last pages of Proposed Agenda	Pacific Halibut	Groundfish Management	Marine Protected Areas	Salmon Management
		Groundfish Management			Administrative Matters
	Closed Executive Session 1 p.m.	Salmon Management			
	General Session Call to Order 2 p.m.				
	Administrative Matters	Public Comment	Habitat	Groundfish Management	Salmon Management
	Salmon Management		Coastal Pelagic Species Management	Highly Migratory Species Management	
	Enforcement Issues		Salmon Management	Salmon Management	

Notice to Public

Please note the actual order and timing of agenda items may vary somewhat from the proposed agenda. For example, items not completed on the scheduled day will be carried over to the next day. Items may be moved to an earlier or later time than shown on this Proposed Agenda or rescheduled for a different time during the week. In accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion. However, such issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting, unless they are emergency in nature.

To present verbal testimony at this meeting, please complete a registration card, and specify the agenda item on which you wish to speak. Cards are available at the entry desk inside the Council meeting room. After public comment begins on each agenda item, additional cards will not be accepted on that item. Verbal testimony is limited to five minutes for individuals and ten minutes for groups or individuals representing organizations. Please identify yourself and whom you represent at the beginning of your testimony.

Written comments received by February 15, 2006 will be mailed to Council members prior to the meeting. **Comments or materials received at the Council Office by February 28** will be included in the supplemental materials distributed to the Council on the first day of the meeting. **After February 28, it is the submitter's responsibility to provide Council staff with an adequate number of copies to ensure coverage of the Council (a minimum of 40 copies). Each copy must include the Agenda Item Topic Number in the upper right hand corner of the front page.**

Financial interest statements for the appointed Council members are available for inspection at the documents table in the Council meeting room.

DETAILED COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Sunday, March 5 through Friday, March 10, 2006

ANCILLARY SESSIONS

Various technical and administrative committees, advisory bodies, work groups, and state delegations will meet throughout the week. See the SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS at the end of this agenda for a complete listing of these meetings.

Monday, March 6, 2006

CLOSED SESSION

1 p.m.

Evergreen Ballroom

(This session is closed to all except Council members, their designees, and others designated by the Council Chair to discuss litigation and personnel matters.)

GENERAL SESSION

2 p.m.

Evergreen Ballroom

A. Call to Order

- 1. Opening Remarks, Introductions**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Executive Director's Report**
- 4. Council Action:** Approve Agenda

Don Hansen, Chair
Don McIsaac
Don McIsaac
Don Hansen

B. Administrative Matters

- 1. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes**
 - a. Council Member Review and Comments
 - b. **Council Action:** Approve September 2005 Minutes
- 2. Council Meeting Agenda Planning**
 - a. Agenda Item Overview
 - b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. Council Discussion of Future Council Meeting Agenda Topics

Don Hansen

Don McIsaac

C. Salmon Management

- 1. Mass Marking and Coded-Wire Tagging**
 - a. Agenda Item Overview
 - b. Pacific Salmon Commission Report
 - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. Council Discussion
- 2. Fort Bragg March 15, 2006 Commercial Fishery Opening**
 - a. Agenda Item Overview
 - b. Agency and Tribal Recommendations
 - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. **Council Action:** Consider Modifying Opening Date and Quota

Chuck Tracy
Gary Morishima

Chuck Tracy

D. Enforcement Issues

1. Fishery Enforcement Activity Report

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. Annual U.S. Coast Guard Report
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion

Jim Seger

Tuesday, March 7, 2006

GENERAL SESSION
8 A.M.
Evergreen Ballroom

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

Don Hansen

5. Commencing Remarks

Don McIsaac

E. Pacific Halibut Management

1. Report on the International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC) Annual Meeting

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. Summary of Meeting
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion

Chuck Tracy
Phil Anderson

2. Incidental Catch Regulations for the Salmon Troll and Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. State Proposals for the Salmon Troll Fishery
- c. State Proposals for the Fixed Gear Sablefish Fishery
- d. Tribal Comments
- e. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- f. Public Comment
- g. **Council Action:** Adopt Public Review Options for 2006

Chuck Tracy

Jim Harp

F. Groundfish Management

1. NMFS Report

- a. Regulatory Activities
- b. Science Center Activities
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion

Steve Freese
Elizabeth Clarke

2. Stock Assessment Planning for the 2009-2010 Fishing Season

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. Report from the Stock Assessment Process Review Workshop
- c. Stock Assessment Options
- d. Preliminary Stock Assessment Terms of Reference
- e. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- f. Public Comment
- g. **Council Action:** Adopt for Public Review the Preliminary Terms of Reference, List of Stocks to be Assessed, and Stock Assessment Review Schedule

John DeVore

Don McIsaac
Elizabeth Clarke
Martin Dorn

3. Yelloweye Stock Assessment

- a. Agenda Item Overview
 - b. Scientific and Statistical Committee (SCC) Report
 - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. **Council Action:** Approve Yelloweye Assessment for use in the 2007-2008 Fishing Season
- John DeVore
Kevin Hill

C. Salmon Management (continued)

3. Review of 2005 Fisheries and Summary of 2006 Stock Abundance Estimates

- a. Report of the Salmon Technical Team (STT)
 - b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. Council Discussion
- Dell Simmons

4. Identification of Management Objectives and Preliminary Definition of 2006 Salmon Management Options

- a. Agenda Item Overview
 - b. Report of the Pacific Salmon Commission (PSC)
 - c. Report of the Klamath Fishery Management Council (KFMC)
 - d. NMFS Recommendations
 - e. Tribal Recommendations
 - f. State Recommendations
 - g. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
 - h. Public Comment
 - i. Council Recommendations for Initial Options for STT Collation and Description
- Chuck Tracy
Jim Harp
Curt Melcher
Frank Lockhart
Jim Harp
Phil Anderson/Curt Melcher/Maria Vojkovich

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public comments on fishery issues not on the agenda are accepted at this time.

Wednesday, March 8, 2006

GENERAL SESSION
8 A.M.
Evergreen Ballroom

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

- 6. Commencing Remarks

Don Hansen
Don McIsaac

F. Groundfish Management (continued)

4. Pacific Whiting Management for 2006

- a. Agenda Item Overview
 - b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. **Council Action:** Adopt Stock Assessment, Final 2006 ABC and OY, and Management Measures
- John DeVore

G. Habitat

1. Current Habitat Issues

- a. Report of the Habitat Committee (HC)
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies

Stuart Ellis

- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Consider HC Recommendations

H. Coastal Pelagic Species Management

1. NMFS Report

- a. Regulatory Activities
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Discussion

Mark Helvey

2. Fishery Management Plan (FMP) Amendment—Krill Management

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. NMFS Report
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Preferred FMP Amendment Alternative

Mike Burner
Svein Fougner

C. Salmon Management (continued)

5. Council Recommendations for 2006 Management Option Analysis

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. Report of the STT
- c. Report of the KFMC
- d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- e. Public Comment
- f. Council Direction to the STT and Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) on Options Development and Analysis

Chuck Tracy
Dell Simmons
Curt Melcher

Thursday, March 9, 2006

GENERAL SESSION
8 A.M.
Evergreen Ballroom

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

Don Hansen

- 7. Commencing Remarks

Don McIsaac

I. Marine Protected Areas (MPA)

1. Fishery Regulation in MPAs within the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary through Magnuson-Stevens Act and State Management Authority

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. Northwest Hawaiian Islands Sanctuary Process
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion and Guidance

Mike Burner
Ed Ebusui

F. Groundfish Management (continued)

5. Consideration of Inseason Adjustments

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. Report of the Groundfish Management Team (GMT)
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Adopt Recommendations for Adjustments to 2006 Fisheries

John DeVore
Susan Ashcraft

J. Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Management

1. NMFS Report

- a. Activity Reports Mark Helvey/Gary Sakagawa/Craig Heberer
 - 1. Domestic Regulatory Activities
 - 2. International Activities
 - 3. Science Center Activities
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Discussion

2. Bigeye Tuna Overfishing Response

- a. Agenda Item Overview Kit Dahl
- b. NMFS Report Mark Helvey
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Adopt Preliminary Draft FMP Amendment Alternatives for Public Review

3. Drift Gillnet Management

- a. Agenda Item Overview Kit Dahl
- b. Highly Migratory Species Management Team Report Dale Squires
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Preferred Alternative to Modify the Drift Gillnet Time/Area Closure

4. Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Applications for Highly Migratory Species

- a. Agenda Item Overview Kit Dahl
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Final Recommendations for Approving EFP Applications

C. Salmon Management (continued)

6. Council Direction for 2006 Management Options (If Necessary)

- a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
- b. Report of the STT Dell Simmons
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Guidance and Direction

FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2006

GENERAL SESSION
8 A.M.
Evergreen Ballroom

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

- 8. Commencing Remarks Don Hansen
Don McIsaac

C. Salmon Management (continued)

7. FMP Amendment Scoping for the Klamath River Fall Chinook Conservation

Objective

- a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
- b. Report of the Klamath Fishery Management Council Curt Melcher
- c. Agency and Tribal Comments
- d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- e. Public Comment
- f. **Council Action:** Direction for Developing Alternatives for an FMP Amendment Process for the Klamath River Fall Chinook Conservation Objective

B. Administrative Matters (continued)

3. Legislative Matters

- a. Agenda Item Overview Mike Burner
- b. Legislative Committee Report Dave Hanson
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Consider Recommendations of the Legislative Committee

4. Fiscal Matters (Tentative possibility)

- a. Agenda Item Overview John Coon
- b. Budget Committee Report Jim Harp
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Consider Recommendations of the Budget Committee

5. Appointments to Advisory Bodies, Standing Committees, and Other Forums

- a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
- b. **Council Action:** Appoint New Members as Necessary

6. April 2006 Council Meeting Agenda and Three-Meeting Outlook

- a. Agenda Item Overview Don McIsaac
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Agenda for the April 2006 Meeting

C. Salmon Management (continued)

8. Adoption of 2006 Management Options for Public Review

- a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
- b. Report of the STT Dell Simmons
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Adopt Management Options for Public Review

9. Salmon Hearings Officers

- a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
- b. **Council Action:** Appoint Hearings Officers Don Hansen

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SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2006

Klamath Fishery Management Council	3 p.m.	Spokane Room
Budget Committee (Tentative Possibility)	3:30 p.m.	Aberdeen Room

MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2006

Council Secretariat	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom E
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Seattle Ballroom 2 and 3
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.	Seattle Ballroom 1
Klamath Fishery Management Council	8 a.m.	Spokane Room
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom B
Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom A
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom C
Legislative Committee	8:30 a.m.	Aberdeen Room
Habitat Committee	10 a.m.	Washington Ballroom D
Enforcement Committee	5:30 p.m.	Aberdeen Room
Tribal Policy Group	As necessary	Olympia Room
Tribal and Washington Technical Groups	As necessary	Bellevue Room
Washington State Delegation	As necessary	Yakima Room

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2006

Council Secretariat	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom E
California State Delegation	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom D
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom B
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Seattle Ballroom 2 and 3
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.	Seattle Ballroom 1
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom D
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom B
Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom A
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom C

SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Aberdeen Room
Klamath Fishery Management Council	As necessary	Spokane Room
Tribal Policy Group	As necessary	Olympia Room
Tribal and Washington Technical Groups	As necessary	Bellevue Room
Washington State Delegation	As necessary	Yakima Room

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2006

Council Secretariat	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom E
California State Delegation	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom D
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom B
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Seattle Ballroom 2 and 3
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.	Seattle Ballroom 1
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom C
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom D
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom B
Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom A
Enforcement Consultants	As necessary	Aberdeen Room
Klamath Fishery Management Council	As necessary	Spokane Room
Tribal Policy Group	As necessary	Olympia Room
Tribal and Washington Technical Groups	As necessary	Bellevue Room
Washington State Delegation	As necessary	Yakima Room

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2006

Council Secretariat	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom E
California State Delegation	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom D
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom B
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Seattle Ballroom 2 and 3
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.	Seattle Ballroom 1
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom C
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom D

SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom B
Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom A
Enforcement Consultants	As necessary	Aberdeen Room
Klamath Fishery Management Council	As necessary	Spokane Room
Tribal Policy Group	As necessary	Olympia Room
Tribal and Washington Technical Groups	As necessary	Bellevue Room
Washington State Delegation	As necessary	Yakima Room

FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2006

Council Secretariat	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom E
California State Delegation	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom D
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.	Washington Ballroom B
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom B
Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.	Washington Ballroom A
Enforcement Consultants	As necessary	Aberdeen Room
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	As necessary	Washington Ballroom D
Groundfish Management Team	As necessary	Washington Ballroom C
Klamath Fishery Management Council	As necessary	Spokane Room
Tribal Policy Group	As necessary	Olympia Room
Tribal and Washington Technical Groups	As necessary	Bellevue Room
Washington State Delegation	As necessary	Yakima Room

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